§7.13 Consolidations.

Upon its own initiative or upon motion of any interested person or party, the Board may consolidate in any proceeding or concurrently consider two or more appeals which involve substantially the same persons or parties, or issues which are the same or closely related, if it finds that such consolidation or concurrent review will contribute to a proper dispatch of its business and to the ends of justice, and it will not unduly delay consideration of any such appeals.

§7.14 Oral proceedings.

(a) With respect to any proceeding before it, the Board may upon its own initiative or upon request of any interested person or party direct the interested persons or parties to appear before the Board or its designee at a specified time and place in order to simplify the issues presented or to take up any other matters which may tend to expedite or facilitate the disposition of the proceeding.

(b) In its discretion, the Board, or a single presiding member, may permit oral argument in any proceeding. The Board or the presiding member, shall prescribe the time and place for argument and the time allotted for argument. A petitioner wishing to make oral argument should make the request therefor in his petition.

§ 7.15 Public information.

(a) Subject to the provisions of §§ 1.15, 5.6, and part 70 of this subtitle, all papers and documents made a part of the official record in the proceedings of the Board and decisions of the Board shall be made available for public inspection during usual business hours at the office of the Administrative Review Board, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210.

(b) Facsimile copies of such papers, documents and decisions shall be furnished upon request. There shall be a charge of 25 cents for each facsimile page reproduction except for copies of materials duplicated for distribution for no charge as provided in paragraph (c) of this section. Postal fees in excess of domestic first class postal rates as are necessary for transmittal of copies will be added to the per-page fee speci-

fied unless stamps or stamped envelopes are furnished with the request.

- (c) No charge need to be made for furnishing:
- (1) Unauthenticated copies of any rules, regulations, or decisions of general import,
- (2) Copies to agencies which will aid in the administration of the Davis-Bacon and related acts,
- (3) Copies to contractor associations and labor organizations for general dissemination of the information contained therein, and
- (4) Only occasionally unauthenticated copies of papers and documents.

§7.16 Filing and service.

- (a) Filing. All papers submitted to the Board under this part shall be filed with the Executive Director of the Administrative Review Board, U.S. Department of Labor, Washington, DC 20210.
- (b) *Number of copies*. An original and four copies of all papers shall be submitted.
- (c) Manner of service. Service under this part shall be by the filing party or interested person, service may be personal or may be by mail. Service by mail is complete on mailing.
- (d) *Proof of service.* Papers filed with the Board shall contain an acknowledgement of service by the person served or proof of service in the form of a statement of the date and the manner of service and the names of the person or persons served, certified by the person who made service.

§ 7.17 Variations in procedures.

Upon reasonable notice to the parties or interested persons, the Board may vary the procedures specified in this part in particular cases.

§ 7.18 Motions; extensions of time.

(a) Except as otherwise provided in this part, any application for an order or other relief shall be made by motion for such order or relief. Except when made orally before the Board, motions shall be in writing and shall be accompanied by proof of service on all other parties or interested persons. If a motion is supported by briefs, affidavits, or other papers, they shall be served